

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Jay S. Walker et al. )

For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR )  
ENCOURAGING )  
COMPETITIVE )  
PARTICIPATION IN AN )  
AUCTION )

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

Serial No.: 09/223,901 )

Group Art Unit: 2784

Filing Date: December 31, 1998 )

Docket No.: WD2-98-084



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 Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
 Washington, D.C. 20231

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Applicants hereby submit the following documents for the above-identified patent application:

1. Copy of Notice to File Missing Parts;
2. Response to Notice to File Missing Parts;
3. Copy of Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney;
4. Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity; and
5. Postcard.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge \$ 1,132.00 to Deposit Account No. 50-0271 for the fees required for the enclosed Response to Missing Parts. The Commissioner is further authorized to charge any further required fees, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0271. A duplicate copy of this authorization is attached for such purpose.

March 16, 1999  
 Date

Respectfully submitted,

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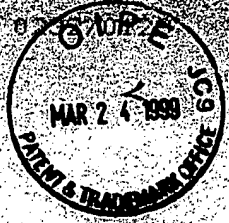
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APPLICATION NUMBER	FILING/RECEIPT DATE	FIRST NAMED APPLICANT	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO./TITLE
09/223,901	12/31/98	WALKER	WD2-98-004

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2784

DATE MAILED:

01/28/99

**NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION**  
*Filing Date Granted*

An Application Number and Filing Date have been assigned to this application. The items indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE** within which to file all required items and pay fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). If any of items 1 or 3 through 5 are indicated as missing, the **SURCHARGE** set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of ☐ \$65.00 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, or ☒ \$130.00 for a non-small entity, must also be timely submitted in reply to this NOTICE to avoid abandonment.

If all required items on this form are filed within the period set above, the total amount owed by applicant as a ☐ small entity (statement filed) ☒ non-small entity is \$ 2260

- ☒ 1. The statutory basic filing fee is:
- ☒ missing
  - ☐ insufficient
  - Applicant must submit \$ 260 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27)
- ☒ 2. Additional claim fees of \$ 1574 including any multiple dependent claim fees, are required:
- \$ 544 for 7 independent claims over 3.
  - \$ 828 for 46 dependent claims over 20.
  - \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for multiple dependent claim surcharge.
- Applicant must either submit the additional claim fees or cancel additional claims for which fees are due.

- ☒ 3. The oath or declaration:
- ☒ is missing or unexecuted.
  - ☐ does not cover the newly submitted items.
  - ☐ does not identify the application to which it applies.
  - ☐ does not include the city and state or foreign country of applicant's residence.
- An oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, including residence information and identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date is required.

- ☐ 4. The signature(s) to the oath or declaration is/are by a person other than inventor or person qualified under 37 CFR 1.42, 1.43 or 1.47.
- A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- ☐ 5. The signature of the following joint inventor(s) is missing from the oath or declaration:

- An oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 listing the names of all inventors and signed by the omitted inventor(s), identifying this application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- ☐ 6. A \$50.00 processing fee is required since your check was returned without payment (37 CFR 1.21(m)).
  - ☐ 7. Your filing receipt was mailed in error because your check was returned without payment.
  - ☐ 8. The application does not comply with the Sequence Rules. See attached Notice to Comply with Sequence Rules of 37 CFR 1.821-1.825.
  - ☐ 9. OTHER

Direct the reply and any questions about this notice to Attention: Box Missing Parts

*[Signature]* A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.

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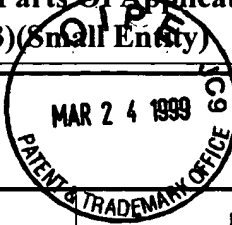
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**Response To Notice To File Missing Parts Of Application  
Filing Date Granted (PTO-1533) (Small Entity)**

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Invention: **SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR ENCOURAGING COMPETITIVE PARTICIPATION IN AN AUCTION**

TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

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This is a response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted (PTO-1533) mailed on  
January 28, 1999  
Date

Enclosed herewith for filing are the following:

- ☒ A copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted (PTO-1533). **(REQUIRED)**
- ☒ An oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, including residence information and identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date.
- ☐ A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date.
- ☐ An oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 listing the names of all inventors and signed by the omitted inventor(s), identifying this application by the above Application Number and Filing Date.
- ☐ A verified English translation of the non-English language application papers as originally filed. It is requested that this translation be used as the copy for examination purposes in the United States Patent and Trademark Office.
- ☒ 1 verified small entity declaration(s)
  - ☒ is/are attached.
  - ☐ was/were filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ A separate request for refund.
- ☐ Other (list):

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**TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:**

**Attention: Manager, Application Branch**

- ☒ Completion of application fees as calculated below:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Utility application filing fee                                                              | \$380.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Design application filing fee                                                                          |          |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Total number of independent claims = 10                                                     | \$273.00 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Total number of claims = 66                                                                 | \$414.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Multiple dependent claims                                                                              |          |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Surcharge for late payment of filing fee and/or late filing of original declaration or oath | \$65.00  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Petition and fee for filing by other than all the inventors or a person not the invention              |          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fee for processing an application filed with a non-English language specification                      |          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fee for processing and retention of application                                                        |          |

**Total completion of application fees** **\$1,132.00**

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the above-identified Notice to File Missing Parts of Application. The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired). If an additional time extension is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

- ☐ One month      ☐ Two months      ☐ Three months      ☐ Four months      ☐ Five months

from: \_\_\_\_\_ until: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date Date

Total time extension fees

**Total fees due                    \$1,132.00**

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The fee of \$1,132 is to be paid as follows:

- ☐ A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0271  
A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☒ If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 50-0271  
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Dated: March 16, 1999

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March 16, 1999 with the U.S. Postal Service as  
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